

Appl. No. 10/602,820
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REMARKS

The Official Action is a Restriction Requirement in which it is urged that there are two separate and distinct inventions claimed in this application. Applicants elect the Group I invention, drawn to a method of making polyesters tow, which includes claims 1-4, without traverse. Applicant has canceled claim 5 as being directed to the non-elected invention. Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application on the non-elected invention at a later time.

In addition, Applicant submits herewith a Form 1449 which lists all the references cited for the Examiner's convenience. Since the references are all U.S. patents, copies are no longer required and therefore no copies are submitted with the Form 1449. It is most respectfully requested that the Examiner acknowledge receipt and consideration of all of the prior art cited in the next Official Action.

In view of the election of the Group I invention, without traverse, an early and favorable action on the merits is now believed to be in order and is most respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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